Gotham City

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Summary: Local millionaire Bruce Wayne works undercover as esteemed hero - Batman in his hometown Gotham City which is turning into a menacing place. With help from his adopted son - Robin, and friend - Batgirl, this Dynamic Trio will stop the evil in their town and bring Gotham back to it's former glory.

1. The Escape

Dr. Harleen Quinzel walked into Arkham Asylum and greeted security guard Joe just like any other day. However, Dr. Harleen Quinzel knew this was not just like any other day because today she was getting a new patient. She had heard that this patient was very unstable. He had recently been captured by the heroic dynamic duo â€“ Batman and Robin â€“ saviors of Gotham City.

Dr. Harleen Quinzel entered the psychiatric ward and looked into cell #105. Inside was a poor broken man with pale skin and bright green hair. She felt sorry for this man whose only name given was The Joker. Dr. Harleen Quinzel grabbed the key to the cell from the wall hanger, and unlocked the door. She grabbed the torn apart man by his chains and carried him to her patient room. Two security guards stayed outside the door and kept watch in case the prisoner decided to attack Ms. Quinzel.

The doctor slowly removed the patient's chains from his arms and strapped him to her operation chair. Dr. Harleen Quinzel looked into the man's eyes and felt guilty for what she was about to do. Dr. Harleen Quinzel went over to her table and grabbed a syringe and prepared the needle for injection.

Ms. Quinzel prepared The Joker for the shot and then injected the needle into his tender skin. He let out a quiet yelp and began trying to jerk out of his chair. The Joker soon fell into a deep sleep where he screamed and cried.

Ms. Quinzel ran out of the room as tears ran down her eyes. The conditioning process had begun. Everyday for the next year, Dr. Harleen Quinzel would subject The Joker to a serum that would torture him until he understood his wrong doings. Dr. Harleen Quinzel did this often, but knew that this patient was different and she was drawn to him...

A month or so after treatment begun, The Joker asked Ms. Quinzel a question.

"Why do you do this to me?" He asked her.

Dr. Harleen Quinzel bit her lip and paused until she came up with an answer.

"It's my job, and this treatment is supposed to make you a better person and learn what happens to the people you have tormented," she replied.

"Please don't make me go through with it. I'd rather die then live this life," The Joker replied.

And from that moment on, Ms. Quinzel viewed The Joker as a person and not a patient. She began to spend her lunch break with him. The two began to form a connection and Dr. Harleen Quinzel couldn't wait to see him everyday. However, it became harder for her to inject the serum into him. She felt as if every time she did it, it was betraying their friendship.

One day, Ms. Quinzel laughed at a joke The Joker had told her. She then proceeded to ask him something.

"Do you love me?" She asked the man.

For a minute, the two sat in silence. Then, The Joker looked into her eyes and kissed Ms. Quinzel.

"Does that answer your question?" The Joker asked.

Instead of replying, Dr. Harleen Quinzel kissed him back. Then, she quickly left the cell and went back to work. Dr. Harleen Quinzel began to obsess over The Joker. She missed him everyday and even made a costume to go with The Joker's outfit.

The Joker asked Dr. Harleen Quinzel a question one day.

"Will you break me and the others out of prison?"

Without hesitation, Ms. Quinzel said yes.

That night, Dr. Harleen Quinzel said goodbye to security guard Joe, but instead of going home, she sneaked away to her office. Upon turning around her bookshelf a vanity appeared. The mirror was littered with pictures of The Joker. She began to change into her costume and put on makeup to make her skin as white as The Joker's. Harley Quinn left the office and went to the surveillance room where Joe was keeping night watch. She grabbed a broom from the supply closet and used it to beat Joe.

Harley Quinn pushed away the chair with Joe's bloody body inside it

and pressed a button opening all of the prisoner cells.

The imprisoned villains of Gotham City â€“ Joker, Poison Ivy, The Penguin, and Mr. Freeze where all released from Arkham Asylum that night, along with many imprisoned members of the Twin City Gang.

The prisoners broke open a window at the top of Arkham Asylum and used a rope to climb out of the Asylum. Harley Quinn went to the Prison Ward and searched for Joker, but couldn't find him.

Meanwhile, Bruce Wayne â€“ billionaire owner of Wayne Enterprises got a call from Commissioner Gordon informing him of a jailbreak at Arkham Asylum. Bruce Wayne went from mild mannered billionaire to brave and strong Batman. He woke up his adopted teen son â€“ Dick Grayson and Dick transformed from a nerdy awkward teen to an amazing and powerful sidekick named Robin!

The two drove the bat mobile up to Arkham Asylum, which was located, by the cliffs overlooking the sea. The dynamic duo watched as hundreds of criminals ran rapid throughout the streets. Batman and Robin entered the asylum and went to the upstairs window where the prisoners were escaping.

As this was happening, Harley Quinn was still searching for The Joker when she found him going down the rope to escape Arkham. Harley Quinn watched as The Joker brought down the rope he was using and ran off.

"Joker, where are you going?" She asked.

"Oh I'm sorry. Did you really fall for that whole _I'm in love with you_ stunt? I did that just so you would help me and every other villain in this place escape from Arkham," The Joker replied.

A distraught Harley Quinn tried to talk, but choked on her words. She watched as The Joker ran off into the distance. A voice behind her grabbed her attention.

"It's over villain," Batman said as he grabbed her arms.

A surge of anger bubbled inside Harley Quinn and she attacked Batman! She kicked him in the chest and punched Robin in the nose. Harley Quinn ran to the top of Arkham Asylum and was followed by Batman and Robin.

"Leave me alone! You can't stop me from jumping off this building!" Harley Quinn said.

Batman came closer to Harley Quinn and tried to tell her that jumping was not the answer. But, Harley leaped forward and fell towards the hard concrete at the bottom. However, just as she jumped, Robin swooped in with his chest tied to a rope and grabbed Harley Quinn in his arms. He brought her down to the ground where she knocked him in the head with her foot, causing him to black out.

When Batman got down to the ground, Harley Quinn was gone. Batman took Robin back to the Bat cave under Wayne Manor where Alfred â€“ their butler, treated him.

"Looks like there's going to be a whole lot of crime out in this town," Batman said to himself.

"It's up to you and Robin sir. Without you two, who knows where this city would be," Alfred said.

2. A New Superhero and A New Villain

"Hello and welcome to Gotham City News. I'm your host Diana Lane and this is my co-host Harvey Dent," the anchor said thru the television.

"Thank you for the introduction Diana," Harvey replied, "Anyways, we have some breaking news to share with you this morning. A local research facility has just burned down causing the death of almost 100 workers!"

"Another 60 workers were also critically injured and are being treated at Gotham Hospital," Diana added.

"We now go to our new field reporter Verona Mars," Harvey said.

"Thank you Harvey!" A cheery Verona Mars said.

"I'm here at the scene of the recent fire at Ace Chemical Research Factory. The arsonist that committed this crime has not yet been found, and the police are now searching for any evidence to help with this case. Back to you Harvey," Verona Mars said.

"Thank you Verona. We now go to sports - " Harvey said thru the television screen before it was shut off by Bruce Wayne.

"Pretty freaky fire, huh?" Dick asked.

"Sure is son," Bruce replied.

"Mr. Grayson, it's time for school," Alfred said.

"Thank you Alfred. See you this afternoon Bruce," Dick said as he grabbed the car keys and pulled out of the garage.

"Alfred, hold down the fort, I'm going to get to the bottom of this little 'chemical fire'. I think there's more to it then meets the eye," Bruce said.

Bruce Wayne went into his office and walked over to a painting of the ocean on his wall. He placed his index finger on the painting and a computer voice spoke.

"Authorized access granted," the computer voice said.

Suddenly, the bookcase in Bruce Wayne's office opened up and an opening appeared. Bruce Wayne went thru the opening and the bookcase closed behind him. He began to go down a long flight of stairs until he reached the underground.

The underground lair commonly referred to as the Batcave was huge and held a main area which had a giant supercomputer, a holding cell with

laser beam prison bars, a waterway which held a Bat Boat and Bat Submarine, a garage with many different Bat vehicles, a weapons room littered with thousands of weaponry, a super suit room with many different Batman and Robin suits to sustain different conditions, and an aviator garage filled with Bat flying machines.

Bruce Wayne went over to his super computer and began researching the history of Ace Chemical Research Factory. Bruce Wayne learned that 5 years ago â€“ a local robber named the Red Hood was pursued by a police officer out of the Gotham City Bank and across town. The Red Hood went to his secret hideout â€“ a hidden attic he had found in Ace Chemical Research Factory that nobody knew about. The police officer found the Red Hood and tried to grab him, but the floor began to creak. The old and termite infested wood floor collapsed and the two people fell to their deaths.

The police officer fell to the ground, but the Red Hood fell into a vat of toxic chemicals. His face turned white and hair turned green. The Red Hood went crazy and renamed himself The Joker.

That happened almost a year before Bruce Wayne became Batman, and his adopted son, Dick Grayson, became Robin.

Bruce Wayne knew there was more to the factory then met the eye. _What were they doing in the factory? _He asked himself. Bruce asked the super computer to search up any hidden records possible to find on Ace Chemical Research Factory.

After a while the computer pulled up a video tapped yesterday â€“ before the chemical fire. Bruce clicked the play button and the video started.

"Today, Ace Chemical Research Factory is testing their first subject with a new chemical â€“ Malum Serum. This project is top secret and is being funded by an anonymous funder known as R.H.J. We now continue with the project, beginning by testing the serum on a local nobody â€“ Tyler Banes," The announcer said.

"LET ME GO!" Tyler yelled. The scientist began strapping the poor subject to an examination chair. He got out a syringe and filled it with a green liquid. Bruce looked at the very scrawny young lad who looked like all skin and bones and wondered what the serum would do to him.

The scientist took the syringe and stuck it into Tyler's neck. Tyler's eyes began to become bloodshot and he began coughing up green slime. He screamed in extreme pain and broke out of his restraints. His shirt began to rip apart as his muscles grew from size zero to size one hundred. He got six pack abs and huge fists big enough to kill the toughest wrestler. Tyler got out of the exam chair and said, "CALL ME BANE!"

He grabbed the scientists neck and strangled the man to death. Bane (as he called himself) grew extremely angry and began adding chemicals to vats of toxic waste. The chemical plant began to burst into flames and Bane went up to the camera.

"I HOPE GOTHAM CITY DIES AND BURNS DOWN TO FLAMES!" Bane yelled.

The screen went black and Bruce Wayne stared in silence. Who was

R.H.J? Where was Bane now? How would he be able to stop the new villain?

Meanwhile, Dick Grayson had just arrived at Brentwood Academy High when his eye caught the attention of a new girl. She had long strawberry hair, and cute freckles on her cheeks. Dick approached the girl.

"Hey, my names Richard Grayson, but my friends call me Dick," he said.

"Hi, my names Barbara Gordon, but my friends call me Babs," she said.

"Commissioner's daughter, eh. Anyways, I noticed you were new and I was wondering if you wanted someone to show you around," Dick told her.

"I'd love that. Hey, aren't you Bruce Wayne's kid?" Babs asked.

"Awesome I'll be happy to give you the lay of the land. And I'm not actually Bruce Wayne's kid by birth. I was born into a family of circus acrobats. I was an only child and was trained in the art of gymnastics. However, when I was 8 my parents were killed while trying to do a dangerous stunt. We were touring in Gotham City at the time so I was taken to the Gotham City Orphanage where Bruce adopted me. I was a little nervous at first, but he has been the best father I could have ever asked for," Dick said.

"Cool story. What's your first class?" Barbara asked.

"I have... Chemistry," Dick said with a sigh.

"I do too! Maybe we can be lab partners! I love Chemistry," Barbara said.

"Sure, I'd love to be lab partners with someone I enjoy being in company with," Dick said.

"I'm glad I humor you," Barbara replied jokingly.

The two began to walk to class when Dick got a notification on his phone. He opened up his phone and looked at his messages. It was from Bruce! He opened it and it said,

We need to talk soon! Looks like that chemical fire has more to it then meet the eye.

"What are you looking at?" Babs asked.

"Nothing, just a text from my dad," Dick replied.

"You know, your phone looks a lot different then mine, and we have the same phones," Barbara said with a raise of her eyebrow.

Barbara sneakily grabbed Dick's phone and looked thru it.

"I don't have any of these apps! Lock decoder, finger print detector, social security finder!" Barbara said.

"What, there's obviously something wrong with my phone!" Dick replied.

He took back his phone and shut it down. He then opened it back up and entered his passcode to show a normal screen with normal apps.

"Look at it all you want!" Dick told her.

Barbara looked at the phone and checked every app only to find that nothing was unusual or weird. Everything was completely... normal.

"I'm keeping my eye on you Gray!" Barbara said.

"If your gonna call me Gray then I'm gonna call you Gord!" Dick said.

"Dick, your terrible!" Barbara said as she began to laugh.

_That was close! _Dick thought to himself.

After school Dick said goodbye to Barbara and went home. He didn't plan on telling Bruce about his close call with his phone, but when he got home, he noticed that his phone was missing! Dick knew there was only one answer â€“ Barbara had taken it.

"Where does Commissioner Gordon live?" Dick asked Bruce.

"Why do you wanna know?" Bruce asked.

"No reason!" Dick hastily said as his face turned red.

"What are you not telling me?" Bruce asked.

"I may or may not have accidently shown Commissioner Gordon's daughter my cell phone when it's in Bat mode!" Dick said as quick as he could.

"Richard Grayson! Do you know what you may have caused? We are going to go straight over to Commissioner Gordon's home, and so help me if she finds out ANYTHING about our secret â€“ you will be seriously grounded!" Bruce Wayne said.

He grabbed his son's hand and the two went to the car. They pulled out of the garage and drove to Falcone Apartment Complex located in Gotham Village. Bruce Wayne pulled the car up to the curve and parked. The two went into the beautiful apartment lobby and went up the glass elevator to the 16th Floor. They went down the hall to Apartment 1622 and knocked.

"Who is it?" Barbara asked.

"It's Bruce Wayne and my son Dick Grayson."

Barbara opened the door.

"Oh hi Dick I wanted to call you because I found your phone! You left it in Calculus and I tried to bring it to you but you left so early!

I figured I would give it to you tomorrow because I don't have your home phone!" Barbara said.

"Thanks Babs," Dick replied.

Just then, Bruce and Dick's phones rang. They looked at it and saw that a disturbance was happening in one of the houses at Gotham Heights â€“ the area that Wayne Manor was located in.

"Ok Barbara! See you soon!" Dick said as he and Bruce left the apartment.

"Sooner then you think," Barbara whispered to herself.

Bruce and Dick quickly went to the car and Bruce drove home. As he drove, Bruce explained everything he had learned about the Ace Chemical Research Facility and about Bane being the arsonist.

When they reached Wayne Manor, Bruce pulled the car into the Batcave garage so that they could quickly get into the Batcave. Upon getting inside, they saw a wounded Alfred tied up to a chair. Behind him was none other then Bane.

"Hello Batman. I heard, from a little bird, that you and your little friend Robin are the toughest crime fighters in the city. And you know what I say to that? Let me answer the question... PREPARE TO DIE!" Bane said as he tackled Bruce.

"I'm sure you found out about the serum they injected me with, making me the TOUGHEST MAN TO EVER LIVE!" Bane yelled.

"Let him go!" Dick yelled as he tried to get Bane off of Bruce.

"Did you really think you could stop me?" Bane said as he threw Dick across the room.

Bane began to choke Bruce Wayne.

"Soon I will rule Gotham City, and I will inject everyone with the Malum Serum! They will all become evil and strong enough to make an army. Together we will take over the world! And I don't need you, or any other superheroes to get in my way!" Bane said.

Suddenly Bane fell on the ground. He began rolling around on the ground and having muscle spasms. His muscles became small and weak before finally disappearing entirely. His six-pack became a zero pack and he began to fell good inside.

"NO, THIS CAN'T BE HAPPENING!" Bane yelled.

"Looks like you weren't so tough after all!" Dick said.

Bane got up and tried to escape the Batcave while Dick and Bruce were distracted, but a hero rose out of the dark. She wore a purple cape and suit just like Batman's. It was a black suit with a yellow bat symbol on the chest. She wore a mask that instead of covering her whole face, it only covered her eyes â€“ just enough to stay hidden.

The girl attacked Bane and threw him to the ground, knocking him

unconscious. She looked up, and in front of her were Bruce and Dick staring at her.

"What? You've never seen a girl tackle a guy before? Typical man," she said.

"Who the heck are you?" Bruce asked.

"I'm Batgirl and I'd like to join your little Dynamic Duo!" The girl exclaimed.

"Sorry, we aren't looking for new members little girl," Bruce said.

"Excuse me, but wasn't I the one that stopped your villain from escaping your clutches?" Batgirl asked.

"How did you know we were even battling a villain, let alone know our location?" Dick asked.

"You should know, Dick. I was the one that was able to get your phone out of your pocket and then take it apart, to add the additions to my own phone, and then put your phone back together only so you didn't know I had done anything with it," she explained.

"Babs?" Dick asked.

"In the flesh," Batgirl replied.

"Wow you are good," Dick said.

"Son, don't encourage her!" Bruce yelled.

"Why did you even do all this?" Bruce asked her.

"Look, my dad's a police officer so obviously I've wanted to be a police officer ever since I was a little girl. When I turned 16, I was old enough to begin training to be a police officer. I was super excited until my father said he wouldn't let me because it was 'too dangerous'. I'm not just a little girl and I'm tired of everyone treating me like one! So, when I saw Dick's super phone, I realized he was Robin. What better way to fight crime then become a superhero? My father would never have to know and we would both be happy. If you have any heart at all, please let me become one of you guys!"

For a long while, the three stood in silence. Finally, Bruce Wayne spoke.

"Ok," Bruce said quietly.

"YES!" Batgirl exclaimed.

After this, Bruce, Dick, and Batgirl grabbed the sleeping Bane and dragged him to the holding cell. Bruce and Dick changed into their superhero suits while Batgirl called the police.

When the police arrived, they thanked Batman, Robin, and the new Batgirl for stopping the new villain â€“ Bane. The police officers dragged Bane to the police car and cuffed him. They drove back to the police station, and Batgirl soon left after them to go home.

"Looks like we got a new superhero and a new villain," Dick said.

"We sure did Dick, we sure did," Bruce said worryingly. Then, Bruce remembered something. The video about Bane's transformation said that the project was being funded by R.H.J. Bruce tried to figure out who it could be.

Bruce kept thinking about it when he decided to look up the initials in the Gotham City villain records, but nobody came up with the R.H.J. initials. Bruce then figured out that it wasn't just one person, but two.

R â€“ Red, H â€“ Hood, J â€“ Joker.

Why was The Joker funding the very chemical factory that turned him into the evil mastermind he is today? Bruce knew that The Joker was planning something, something big and bad.

3. Cat Burglar

Bruce Wayne woke up that morning to the blaring sound of his alarm clock. _It was time to go to work. _He told himself. Bruce Wayne got out of bed and took a shower. He changed into one of his hundreds of suits and went downstairs to have breakfast.

In the kitchen, Alfred was cooking bacon and eggs. He handed Bruce a plate and then called a tired Dick to breakfast. After a few minutes, Dick walked downstairs fully dressed and showered. He grabbed a plate of bacon and eggs from Alfred's hand and began to eat. After Bruce and Dick finished eating, they handed their empty plates to Alfred and left home.

"Mind if I take the Mustang?" Dick asked.

"As long as I take the Porsche," Bruce replied.

Bruce got into the silver Porsche and drove to the big skyscraper building known as Wayne Enterprises in the center of Gotham. Meanwhile, Dick drove the red Mustang to Brentwood Academy High.

When Bruce arrived at Wayne Enterprises he parked his car in **The Boss **parking spot and went inside the large building. His secretary who told Bruce that he was having a meeting with WayneTran Department greeted him.

Bruce got on the elevator and went to the 22 floor where the WayneTran Department was located. A fast pacing Selina Kyle took Bruce into a meeting room where she began her presentation to Bruce Wayne and the executives. She looked a little worried about her presentation. Her bright cherry red lipstick was smeared on her face, and her shiny black hair was frazzled.

"Hello, I'm Selina Kyle â€“ the CEO of Wayne Enterprises new WayneTran Department. I've called you all here today, including our President â€“ Bruce Wayne because I need to show you all our newest invention," her Spanish voice sounded a little shaky as she said

this.

"Selina, can we hurry up a little because I need to meet with WayneCom in 10 minutes," Bruce Wayne said.

"Yes President Wayne. Anyways, as I was saying, our newest invention will soon be unveiled. Behold, the Kraken!" Selina Kyle said as she showed a picture of a motorcycle on the slideshow.

"This new motorcycle uses biodegradable products as fuel which makes it eco friendly! And it is super fast! While it is still a prototype, WayneTran would like to give each of you a prototype to try out!" Selina exclaimed.

"Sounds interesting!" One executive exclaimed.

"I can't wait to try it out!" Another executive exclaimed.

"Thank you for your attention! You may now leave," Selina Kyle said.

Bruce Wayne left the room and was immediately greeted by his secretary.

"If you aren't in WayneCom in 1 minute, you'll be late," the secretary said.

"Don't worry, I'll make it," he replied.

Bruce Wayne hurried to the stairways and went up to the 28th Floor. He walked into his meeting with 5 seconds to spare.

Bruce Wayne had three more meetings before lunch. After finishing his fifth meeting, Bruce Wayne went to the elevator and went to the Cafeteria floor. After Bruce Wayne bought himself a sandwich, some chips, and a soda, he went to a small table and ate his lunch. He still had 15 minutes for lunch, but before he could read his newspaper, he would have to go meet Selina Kyle! It was an emergency.

Bruce Wayne came into Ms. Kyle's office. Selina Kyle began to explain to Bruce what the emergency was.

"One of our Kraken prototypes was modified by a criminal to make it go 200mph with only Â½ a gallon! The criminal robbed Gotham City Bank and was able to out speed the police officers!" Selina Kyle exclaimed.

"If word gets out that one of our products was aiding criminals, we would be in deep trouble!" Selina Kyle exclaimed.

"You're right. I'm going to get to the bottom of this. Tell my secretary I'm leaving early," Bruce Wayne said.

"President Wayne, you don't have to do that. I can take care of it!" Selina Kyle said.

"NO, this is my job!" Bruce Wayne exclaimed.

Bruce Wayne ran to the elevator and put his index finger on a scanner

in the elevator. The elevator began to read Bruce Wayne's fingerprint.

"Access granted," a computer voice said.

The elevator began descending down underground. It was getting closer and closer to the bottom. 10th floor, 9th floor, 8th floor, 7th floor, 6th floor, 5th floor, 4th floor, 3rd floor, 2nd floor, 1st floor, Cafeteria, Parking Structure A, Parking Structure B... but then it kept going â€“ even though there were no other floors to choose from. After a while the elevator finally stopped on the Bat Floor!

Bruce Wayne exited the elevator and entered a parking garage with a batcycle and a batcopter located on the right side. At the far end of the garage was a changing room with Batman's super suit. There was also a weapon wall on the left side of the parking garage, which wasn't as large as the one in the Batcave, but did just as well.

Bruce Wayne quickly changed into his Batman suit and grabbed a dozen batarangs and ran over to his batcycle. He got in the batcycle and drove it out of the parking garage and onto the streets.

Batman drove by Wayne Enterprises and saw Selina Kyle was also leaving work in her prototype Kraken motorcycle. Batman continued driving until he reached Gotham Bank. Batman looked around the bank for any evidence about the crime. Batman found a piece of cat hair and asked the police officers if there were any witnesses.

"Um... hello," The witness said to Batman.

"Don't worry, everything will be alright. I won't hurt you," Batman replied.

"My name is Will Howard and I came in today to make a deposit. As I approached the teller window, a loud scream was heard throughout the bank. The robber â€“ Catwoman, had whipped a young woman."

"What did this, Catwoman, look like?" Batman asked.

"She wore a black spandex suit with cat claws on her hands. Her shiny black hair was kept under a black mask shaped after a cat that covered her eyes, but not her lips or nose. Her lips were bright cherry red, and she had a bit of a Spanish accent," Will replied.

"Does that help at all?" Will asked.

"It was very helpful, thank you!" Batman said.

Batman knew just exactly who it was. He was going to find Selina Kyle right away. But then, he got a distress signal on his phone. Batman pulled out his phone and looked at it.

Break in at Gotham City Jewelry Store

Batman got onto his batcycle and raced to the Gotham City Jewelry Store. Batman raced across town and pulled into the Gotham City Jewelry Store, and saw that Catwoman was inside. He noticed that she

was trying to get into one of the glass displays â€“ inside was a diamond necklace worth almost 1 Billion dollars. Batman came into the store without making a sound.

"You thought you could get past me, Catwoman?" Batman asked.

"Oh Batman, I knew I couldn't get past as you, but that doesn't mean I'm not going to try," Catwoman said.

"I know who you really are, Selina!" Batman said.

"And I know who you really are, President Wayne!" Catwoman said.

And just like that, Catwoman cartwheeled and jumped over Batman.

"See you around, Bruce!" Catwoman explained as she left the Jewelry Store with the diamond necklace on her neck.

Batman ran out of the Jewelry Store and followed Catwoman. He got inside his batcycle and followed Catwoman who was riding in a purple modified Kraken motorcycle.

Although the Kraken was fast, Batman's batcycle was just as fast. Batman kept a close track on Catwoman, but still couldn't get her. Batman was to busy watching the motorcycle that he hadn't seen that he was approaching Gotham Docks! Catwoman drove her motorcycle onto the dock and drove into the water. Batman stopped the motorcycle and watched as Catwoman swam away into the distance. At least the Kraken motorcycle was broken.

The next day Selina Kyle's office was cleared and she had disappeared from society. Bruce Wayne had no idea where she was, but knew that he should have captured her when he had the chance. Bruce Wayne was disappointed in himself and hoped to find Catwoman soon before she could do anything worse.

Epilogue

"Hello Selina," the voice said.

"Hello Quinn," Selina replied.

"That's not my full name," the voice replied, "But that's not what matters now! I think that a team-up is in order. If we try hard enough then we can destroy Batman for good."

"I think that's an excellent idea," Selina replied.

"Then it's settled, partner!" The voice exclaimed.

4. Two Faces of Evil

"That's a wrap," the director yelled.

"What a boring news day," Harvey Dent said.

"Tell me about it," Diana Lane replied.

The two walked over to the break room where they talked over coffee. After a while a cheerful Verona Mars walked into the room.

"I just heard something amazing!" Verona Mars yelled.

"What is it now?" Harvey Dent asked in an annoyed tone.

It had been two weeks since Verona Mars had started working at Gotham City News. She had appeared right out of the blue. Every day she exclaimed about this and that. Every news story she heard had to be brought up to her co-workers.

"Wayne Manor is having a party!" Verona Mars exclaimed.

"They are?" Diana Lane asked.

"And all of the general public is invited!" Verona Mars said.

"Really?" Harvey Dent questioned.

"Yep, tomorrow night at sunset!" Verona Mars said.

"Interesting, Wayne Manor hasn't been opened in years," Harvey Dent said.

Meanwhile, at Wayne Manor, Alfred was sitting at the coffee table.

"Mr. Wayne, do you want the flowers delivered at 3pm or 4pm?" Alfred asked.

"Dick, will you be home by 3?" Bruce asked.

"I don't think so," Dick said.

"Alfred, please have them deliver it by 4," Bruce said.

Alfred continued working on the party things all day. When Dick returned from school, the flower deliverer greeted him. He began helping Alfred arranging the flowers around the house when he got a call from Barbara.

"Hey Babs," Dick said.

"Hey, about the party tomorrow, is the attire formal or casual?" Barbara asked.

"Formal," Dick replied.

"Thanks. Hey, do you want to work on calculus homework?" Barbara asked.

"Sure, give me a few minutes to get out my homework," Dick replied.

Dick hung up the phone.

"Alfred, I'm going to work on homework. I'm sorry that I can't help you with the flowers," Dick said.

Dick went upstairs and began working on homework with Barbara. Soon after, Bruce Wayne arrived at home and noticed the flowers.

"They look wonderful Alfred! Now the party will start at sunset, tomorrow. Can you please make sure that all the food is prepared and ready by then?" Bruce Wayne asked.

"Sure thing Mr. Wayne," Alfred replied.

Bruce Wayne went to his office where he continued looking for any evidence of Selina Kyle's relocation. _Where had she gone? _He thought to himself.

On the other side of town, Harvey Dent was walking home from work. When he reached his apartment, he noticed that the door had been slightly opened with the use of a crowbar! Harvey Dent slowly walked inside and saw that his living room had been raided! Harvey went over to the kitchen and grabbed a large knife. He then looked inside the bathroom, but saw nobody. There was only one room left â€“ the bedroom. Harvey tip toed over to his bedroom and went inside. He looked for somebody but found no one. He felt relieved, until something came to his mind. As he looked around the room, he noticed that it had not been raided, meaning the robber was probably still inside.

Harvey looked around the room, but still saw nobody. Then, out of the closet, came a menacing robber! Harvey went over to the robber and attempt to stab him in the chest, but missed and stabbed the robber's arm! Blood began dripping over the wood floors. The robber didn't stop, however, and pulled out a gun. Harvey was very good at being stealthy, and was able to knock the gun right out of the robber's hands. The gun fell to the floor and slid over into the living room!

"That gun is mine!" The robber yelled as he dove over to grab it.

Harvey Dent ran in front of the robber and kicked the gun under the couch. He then cornered the robber into the kitchen, and threatened to stab the robber in the chest. The robber then hit the stove, and had nowhere else to go! Harvey trapped him.

Harvey pulled his hand back and prepared to stab the robber when the robber grabbed Harvey's hand and threw Harvey down onto the stove! When Harvey wasn't looking, the robber had turned on the stove and half of Harvey's face caught on fire. Harvey screamed in pain. He went over to the sink and tried to extinguish the flame. It hurt terribly when Harvey sprayed the burn. The robber saw Harvey's injury and was terrified. The robber ran out of the apartment leaving Harvey lying unconscious on the ground.

A young couple passed by Harvey Dent's apartment on their way to their own apartment and noticed that the door was open. They looked inside and saw the unconscious man with the unsightly burn. The wife grabbed her phone and called 911, while the husband got on the ground and checked to see if the man was breathing.

The police and ambulance showed up a few minutes later. The paramedics brought a stretcher to the apartment door and used it to

carry Harvey Dent out of his apartment. They began to treat the man's wounds in the ambulance as they rode to the hospital.

The next day, Harvey Dent woke up with a feeling of excruciating pain. The doctors said he was to stay at the hospital while the almost fatal burn would heal. He got up and for the first time looked in the mirror with the burn. The right side of his face looked fine, but the left was covered in bandages. Out of anger, Harvey Dent ripped the bandages off to see the left side of his face scarred and burnt to a crisp. Harvey Dent screamed at the mirror and smashed his fist into the mirror. The nurses grabbed him and forced him back into bed and reapplied the bandages.

"LET ME GO! KILL ME! IT HURTS TOO MUCH!" He yelled.

Back at Wayne Manor, Bruce Wayne and Dick Grayson left for work, while Alfred stayed home and prepared for the party. He began cooking turkey, chocolate cakes, baked potatoes, lobster bisque, cherry pies, and roasted ham, along with many other treats! By 4:00pm Alfred had finished baking most of the food and began setting up the buffet line with sweets and appetizers in the Ball Room. He also began putting up balloons and other party favors and called the piano artist to remind him that the party would start around 5:30pm. Alfred then began bringing in tables that he put by the buffet line, and then put white tablecloths over them, and scented candles and beautiful flowers for centerpieces. Then, Alfred went into the kitchen and grabbed out of the freezer, an ice sculpture that was to be placed in the bowl of lemonade, he had almost forgot to put it out! Although there were all of these preparations, the rest of the Ball Room was for dancing! It would be a big party and lots of people would be there. But Alfred was always up for a challenge.

Alfred then went back to the kitchen and noticed that it was almost 5:00pm! He checked on the rest of the food he was cooking and saw that it would be ready soon. Alfred had just a few more minutes. He went outside and began putting decorations outside of the manor to make it have more pizazz. The final touch, a banner that went across the front of Wayne Manor saying:

Come one, come all! Tonight, for one night only â€“ Wayne Manor is throwing a huge party! All citizens are welcome to come. Enjoy food, dancing, and just an overall great time. Party begins at sunset!

Alfred looked at the banner and was proud of himself for making such a beautiful sign. As soon as he walked in, Alfred turned off the oven. Soon after this, the door bell rang and the first guests had arrived!

Bruce Wayne and Dick Grayson came downstairs in tuxedos ready to socialize. They began chatting with all the wonderful guests and directed them to the Ball Room.

While they were partying, a disfigured Harvey Dent walked to Wayne Manor, dressed in a disfigured tuxedo â€“ one side was white, and the other side was black.

The guests just kept coming in. One guest in particular caught Bruce Wayne's eye - local Gotham City reporter Verona Mars who was wearing a long scarlet gown and had her hair in a fashionable up do. Bruce

Wayne tried to hide from the reporter, who always wanted information on Wayne Enterprises.

"Mr. Wayne! Mr. Wayne!" Verona Mars hollered.

Bruce Wayne rolled his eyes at the reporter and kindly approached her.

"Oh, Mr. Wayne! Glad I could catch you tonight. I wanted to ask you a few questions about Catwoman," Verona Mars said.

"Catwoman?" Bruce Wayne questioned.

"Yes, the woman who stole Wayne Enterprises new Kraken power motorcycle and used it to outrun cops in car chases, and may or may not be Selina Kyle â€“ a worker at Wayne Enterprises who had recently 'disappeared' from Gotham?" Verona Mars asked.

"I can neither confirm nor deny any of this information," Bruce Wayne replied.

He ran outside of the house and Verona Mars followed him.

"The people want and need to hear the truth Mr. Wayne! Your just as bad as Gotham's own Court Of Owls, a rich person who only cares about himse-"

Bruce Wayne interrupted Verona Mars, "DON'T EVER COMPARE ME TO THOSE EVIL SCUM WHO KILLED MY OWN PARENTS!"

"I'm sorry, I didn't know," Verona Mars replied.

"Please, leave my home," Bruce Wayne pleaded.

"But," Verona Mars face went pale.

"What?" Bruce Wayne asked.

Bruce Wayne then turned around and saw Harvey Dent approaching the manor. His face looked awful and he had two guns in his hands. Behind him were two goons who also had guns. They began to shoot at Verona and Bruce!

"Go inside!" Bruce Wayne yelled.

The two opened the door and ran inside. They locked the door.

"EVERYBODY, IN THE BALLROOM, NOW!" Bruce Wayne yelled.

Suddenly the large wall exploded and Harvey and his goons came inside.

"Harvey, what happened to you?" Verona asked.

"My names not Harvey anymore, it's Two-Face!"

The party guests all ran to the ballroom for safety while Two-Face and his goons began shooting some of them. Bruce Wayne went inside the ballroom to find Dick and Barbara. He grabbed their arms and took

them into his office. Bruce Wayne quickly scanned his fingerprint and the three went inside. They ran down the stairs as fast as they could. Bruce and Dick changed into Batman and Robin, and Barbara turned into Batgirl using her costume that was inside her purse.

They came back up to hear screaming crowds and watched as Two-Face and his goons tried to get thru the doors into the Ball Room.

"Hey you!" Batman yelled.

Two-Face turned around to see Batman, Robin, and Batgirl.

"Batman! How did you find me?" Two-Face asked.

"Because, he's Batman!" Robin yelled.

Batman, Robin, and Batgirl ran towards Two-Face and his goons, their suits blocking the bullets from the guns their opponents were shooting. Batgirl and Robin attacked the goons and dropped them to the floor. Batman, Robin, and Batgirl all cornered Two-Face.

"Oh no, I've been defeated," Two-Face said with a chuckle.

Suddenly, Two-Face jumped into the air and kicked all three of them to the ground.

"Didn't know I was into Martial-Arts did you?" Two-Face asked.

Then, the ceiling burst open and a rope came down. Two-Face grabbed the rope and flew into the air.

"You may have one this time, but I will get you Two-Face!" Batman yelled.

Batman, Robin, and Batgirl opened the Ball Room doors and escorted the guests calmly outside the house.

"What will happen to Two-Face, Bruce?" Robin asked.

"Well, given the condition of his burn, he may soon die," Batman replied.

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